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King Hassan II of Morocco, whose friendship for Israel has been displayed a number of times over the years when he received Israeli leaders including Moshe Dayan, Yitzhak Rabin and Shimon Peres among others, had no problem greeting his own subjects or at least the sons and daughters of them as he welcomed a delegation from the World Assembly of Moroccan Jewry, including four Knesset members, at his palace in Rabat, the capital. He is shown here greeting Mrs. Liliane Shalom of New York, the organization's vice president, while David Amar, president of the World Assembly and head of the Moroccan Jewish community, looks on. The meeting followed the recent visit of Israel Prime Minister Shimon Peres to Morocco several months ago. Meanwhile, a monument to his father, who was a protector of Moroccan Jews when Vichy France wanted them turned over to the Nazis, was destroyed in Ashkelon by upset local citizens who went on a rampage after two of their community's members were murdered by Arabs in the Gaza Strip.

Zvi Brosh is ORT guest

How hard is it to lure Israeli Ambassador Zvi Brosh to Indianapolis from Chicago, where he is Israel's consul-general?

No trouble at all, Gigi Marks, president of the Greater Indianapolis Area Council of Women's American ORT, found to her delight.

She said Fern Jacobson, capital funds chairman of ORT's District 8 in Chicago, suggested she invite Brosh to speak in Indianapolis, because he was a frequent and enthusiastic speaker for ORT groups in the Chicago area.

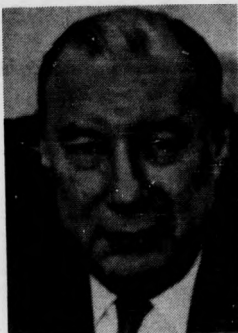
Brosh readily agreed to come, Mrs. Marks said.

He will speak at 7:30 p.m., Wednesday, Nov. 5, in the home of Dr. and Mrs. Joshua Careskey at a capital funds event.

Other speakers will include Mrs. Jacobson and Hart N. Hasten, himself an ORT school graduate, who will introduce his friend, the ambassador.

As consul-general in Chicago, Brosh represents Israel to 11 midwestern states. He has held that post since 1973, that he served for three years as ambassador to Romania, heading Israel's sole diplomatic mission in the Soviet bloc.

Brosh joined the foreign service in 1960, serving as ambassador to Burma and Sri Lanka from 1966 to 1970. He served twice as Israel's minister of information for the United States, working out of the embassy at Washington from 1970 to



Zvi Brosh

1973 and 1978 to 1980.

Brosh's eagerness to speak to ORT chapters, Mrs. Marks indicated, stems from Israel's current push to create "Region 2000" in western Galilee, where the 100th ORT school is being built in the new city of Karmiel. Region 2000 will be Israel's "Silicon Valley," Mrs. Marks explained.

She said Women's American ORT has pledged to raise \$5 million for the school, which will prepare higher education in electronics, computers, sciences, automation and control, computerized management and physics.

Populating the area, now 50-50 Arab-Jewish, she said, also will help to make it more Jewish, if plans go as hoped.

Information or reservations may be secured from Mrs. Marks at 843-2250 or Joyce Kleinman at 844-1192.

Greg Silver, David Woll seeking legislative office

The Indiana Legislature has not had a Jewish lawmaker since Rep. William Latz, R-Fort Wayne, left office in 1974, but two Jews are seeking legislative office now, one in each house — and from each party.

Both are trying to displace veteran lawmakers.

Carmel attorney Greg Silver, 39, is a Democrat running for the Senate seat in the heavily Republican district now held by Sen. William Soards, a Republican who is a Senate freshman but served 10 years in the House.

Republican David Woll, 38, of Evansville, is hoping to make his House district totally GOP. It now is served by Reps. Vaneta Becker and Dennis Avery. Becker is a Republican, Avery a Democrat.

Woll has a law degree, but is a businessman and venture capitalist. He worked in Washington for U.S. Rep. Roger Zion, R-Ind., in 1966. He was an administrative assistant to Lt. Gov. Robert Orr before Orr became governor. Woll was assistant director of the State Planning Agency under Gov. Otis R. Bowen.

His wife, Rita Schwartz Woll, has her own business. She is the daughter of Frank and Jean Schwartz of Indianapolis. The Wolls have two sons, Martin, 4, and Julian Reid, 6 weeks.

Woll said one factory

manager recently told him that six months ago he thought Woll did not have a "snowball's chance" of beating Avery, but his chances now look very good. While both men have government experience, Avery must worry that Indiana voters some times oust an office holder simply because they feel he has been there too long. Avery is seeking a sixth term.

Woll said Rep. Lawrence Buell, R-Indianapolis, recently campaigned for him and told him that Rep. Patrick Kiely, R-Anderson, will strongly consider him for a place on the Ways and Means Committee if he wins. Kiely is Ways and Means chairman, and almost certain to win re-election himself.

Silver's strong suit is environmental protection, which he preaches is perfectly consistent with economic development. His bumper stickers feature a lake-blue bald eagle on a coin-silver background to subtly restate that theme.

He and his wife, Renny, have a daughter, Sara, 7.

Silver is not a backwoods campaigner with a few leaflets to hand out. He is putting computer technology to work to locate supporters and get them to the polls for him.

A local company, Emmis Research, has done exhaustive, expensive polling for Silver, using a checklist by which the telephone callers can evaluate whether a voter is for Silver, against him, or wavering. The results are fed into a computer and repeat calls are made to those who favor Silver or are wavering, in hopes they can be persuaded to go to the polls and vote for him.

"At least 6,700 families will know who their candidate for state Senate is," Silver said. He said the technique makes door-to-door campaigning obsolete.

Silver boasts a track record of working for both environmental concerns and economic growth. He is former state chairman and legal counsel for the Sierra Club.

He said he has worked to ensure that the Olde Mill condominium complex developed by Robert Borns was made in a way that considered the well-being of the neighborhood and the natural resources, without hurting profits or the developer's goals.

The aim, Silver said, was lower density and higher quality.

He said he also worked to effect a compromise in the

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Morris Katz remembers

"I'll never forget..." Morris Katz says several times when discussing his family's pioneering days on behalf of the State of Israel.

Morrie's father Max, who fled from the Cossak's of Russian Poland, at first worked in New York City in a butcher shop; later he acquired a horse and wagon and still later settled in Indianapolis. He started the Max Katz Company which, for many years, produced burlap, bags, but now produces mostly plastics

for the construction industry. The Company is now into a third generation of Katzes, the only family owned organizational of its kind in the USA.

Max Katz, Morrie says, always thought and worked toward the establishment of a Jewish State. "He knew there would be an Israel someday." He collected nickels and dimes and quarters in his pushke. Max was the founder of the Jewish National Fund in Indianapolis, was a pioneer of the

Zionist Organization of America and one of the original founders of the Israel Bond Organization in the State of Indiana. Morrie's brother, the late Alex Katz, was a member of the board of governors of the American Financial and Development Corporation, the arm that established the Israel Bond Organization.

Morrie remembers those early days of the Israel Bond Organization for

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OBITUARIES

Sam Levinsky death lamented

Sam Levinsky, 75, retired businessman and nursing home volunteer, was eulogized Thursday, Oct. 23, in services at Aaron-Ruben-Nelson Meridian Hills Mortuary.

Burial was in Beth-El Zedeck Cemetery North.

Levinsky, who died Oct. 22 in a nursing home, owned several taverns in the Indianapolis area. They included the former Al-Key Cafe at Fall Creek Parkway and Keystone Avenue, which he owned with his brother until 1971.

In retirement, Levinsky volunteered full-time at Hooverwood nursing home,

where he ran the arts and crafts center.

He was a graduate of Pace University and was a member of Indianapolis Hebrew Congregation and its brotherhood and B'nai B'rith Lodge. He was a former member of Congregation Beth-El Zedeck.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hooverwood Guild or a favorite charity.

Survivors include his wife, Helen Myers Levinsky; son, Morton Levinsky; daughter, Janet Prigozen; sisters, Molly Wolowitz and Anne Birnbaum; brother, Bernard Levinsky, and three grandchildren.

Silver, Woll seek legislative office

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creation of the Indianapolis Colts training center near Eagle Creek Park so that it would be well back from the road, there would be no night practice or ticket sales there and the land around it

would be reserved for park purposes.

Politically speaking, Silver was Indiana finance chairman in 1984 for the Gary Hart presidential campaign and expects to work for Hart again. He is a national Democratic platform committee member until 1988.

Silver said he could not resist running for the State Senate because he believes his economic and environmental expertise are needed there. He said he will have accomplished plenty simply by raising the issues and "scaring my opponent and making him an environmentalist."

"If I win, that's icing on the cake."

(Readers please note: This article is just another noting the activities of Indiana Jews, not an endorsement of either man for office. Were it a political report, we would have interviewed Senator Soards and Representative Avery.)



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By GISELA WEISZ
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NEWSMAKERS: Mel Simon and his wife, Bren, both made news recently. Simon made the Forbes magazine list of the richest



men in America. Bren's two year-old firm, "Corporate Designs Associates," was spotlighted in Profit magazine. Melvin Simon Associates, one of the largest builders of shipping centers in the country, has its headquarters in Indianapolis. Bren's company does commercial, airplane yacht interiors out of Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

PLEASANT PRESENT: Frances and Ed Kaufman received a lovely present for Yom Kippur. While they were at services, into the temple walked Frances' daughter, Sandy Maroni, from Studio City, Calif. She had come to spend the

holiday in Indianapolis.

IMPORTANT: The Indianapolis will sponsor a drug-awareness seminar, Dec. 7-14, with the focus on young people attending elementary and high school.

STYLE: It was Ladies' Day Oct 21 at the Broadmoor Country Club. More than 200 members and guests gathered for lunch and viewed informal modeling of the latest fashions from Gazebo (86th and Ditch Road). Pretty women walked around and among the elegantly appointed tables. Prices of the shown creations range between \$150 and \$1,000. Enhancing the epicurean pleasures with visual ones were club members Joanne Angleton, Olga Bluestein, Shirley Efrogmson, Cheryl Greenberg, Cyndy Arkin McKasson and Jan Yosha.

GET OUT YOUR SUNGLASSES! Are we going to Florida, or are we going to have dinner? The answer to

both questions was "Yes!" for Flo and Arnold Robins. They had dinner this week at the Snooty Fox restaurant. As they entered, they were asked to participate in a contest. They filed out a short questionnaire and set down to have dinner. No sooner than the second course was served, came the announcement on the loudspeaker: "The winner of a vacation: air fare and hotel accommodations for two people, in Florida — in any hotel, for a week — are... (you guessed it)... Flo and Arnold! Congratulations!"

HERE: Welcome to newcomer Jeannie Huber from Minneapolis, who came to live in the Hoosier capital with her children, Blake, 9, and Tracie, 14.

NUPTIALS: Jackie Weissel, Silver Spring, Md. and Steve Braun, son of Connie and Stanley Braun, will marry in November at Washington's Mayflower hotel. Last Friday night, Jackie's family were guests for a Shabbat

dinner in the Braun home. To meet the bride and her family, the Brauns gave a party at Broadmoor Country Club Saturday evening.

CONGRATULATIONS: Mel Simon celebrated his 60th birthday in a close circle of family and friends with a dinner at Courtlands Restaurant this month.

THE GANG: You probably do not know it, but there is a Jewish gang lurking on the south side of Indianapolis. They meet regularly in the wee hours of the morning — within 60 minutes — ruthlessly ravage everything that comes in their way. I am, of course, speaking of the breakfast club that meets every morn-

ing at 7:00 in Shapiro's delicatessen on the south side.

These old cronies — they are not old, they just have met for a long time — so these old cronies gave a beautiful surprise birthday party for one of their members, Jake Leventhal. His bagel-monger buddies are Sig Brenner, Milt Bluestein, Shoolom Ettinger, Jack Kosene, Mickey Maurer, Ronnie Popp, Eddie Wolf and David Weintraub.

Along with breakfast club members, among the guests at the Oct. 18 party at Augustine, were Jake's sister, Pearl Roth; Beth Efrogmson with husband, Bob Leventhal, who is Jake's son; daughter Linda Rose Silver with her daughter Lori from Kansas City and Alice Solotkin.

BIRTHS

Dr. David Fischweiger and **Babette** have a son on Sept. 10. His name is Menachem Mendel. Kvaters at the Bris were Miriam and Jim Atlas. Grandparents are Nina and Leon Nissenfeld, Long Island, N.Y. The other children in the family are Laya, 6; Avrami, 4; and Chana, 2.

Dr. Helen Robins Nahmias and **Steven Nahmias** have a son on Sept. 10. His name is Menachem Mendel. Kvaters at the Bris were Miriam and Jim Atlas. Grandparents are Nina and Leon Nissenfeld, Long Island, N.Y. The other children in the family are Laya, 6; Avrami, 4; and Chana, 2.

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The "Dos and Don'ts of Lobbying" at the Indiana Legislature will be explained by Dinah Farrington, president of the League of Women Voters of Indiana, in a program presented by the Jewish Community Relations Council.

Rep. Paul Mannweiler, R-Indianapolis, will address an interview panel on a case study of a bill. There will be demonstrations of lobbying for and against legislation and of presenting a letter to a legislative committee chairman.

Jan Kruescher, chairman of the JCRC legislative

committee, will be on hand, along with vice chairman Jim Stout.

The JCRC legislative program is based on three main principles:

—That the community should maintain a firm line of separation between church and state.

—That the community should foster conditions conducive to Jewish security and creative living in a free society, which in turn requires a society committed to equal rights, justice and opportunity. Their denial breeds tensions, conflicts and dislocations that threaten the society and the Jewish community in particular.

—That the public school system should be supported as the key to integration and upward mobility for all in American society.



Leah Reicin

Family expert speaks on sex

A frequent lecturer on Jewish education and heritage, Leah Stern Reicin, of Skokie, Ill., will speak on "Sex, Incest, Marriage and the Jewish Family" at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 19 at Holiday House, 6349 Spring Mill Rd.

The meeting is sponsored by the Hillel Society Group of Hadassah.

Ms. Reicin, a member of the National Board of Hadassah, is one of the speakers in a year-long series on Jewish Family Ties.

Reservations for the \$4.50 meal may be obtained through Ann Kaplan, 257-2959 or Betty Gold, 255-5358.

David Sheriden to be bar mitzvah



David Sheriden

David Michael Sheriden will become a bar mitzvah in services Saturday, Nov. 8 at Congregation Beth-El Zedeck.

He is the son of Dana and Ira Sheriden of Carmel.

David has attended Hebrew Academy of Indianapolis. He is active in soccer, karate, bowling, football, swimming and diving. His hobbies include remote control cars and computers.

Events surrounding the bar mitzvah services will include a shabbat dinner on Friday night, Nov. 7, given by David's grandfather, Abe Lehner, at Broadmoor Country Club, a Saturday luncheon at Radcliff Plaza, a Saturday evening dinner at the Ritz Charles and a Sunday morning brunch. David's maternal grand-

mother was the late Mrs. Mae Lehner.

Numerous out-of-town guests will attend the events, coming from Boston, New York, New Jersey, Chicago, Louisville, the Chicago area and Merrillville.

Among them will be David's paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Sheriden of Del Ray Beach, Fla.

Bake sale at Etz Chaim

You can balance the "guilt" of noshing goodies by getting them at the Etz Chaim Deborah Sisterhood Ethnic Bake Sale.

The sale from 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. will be at the synagogue at 64th and

Hoover Road.

Proceeds will go toward furnishing a new social hall-banquet room.

Further information is available from Shirley Pearson or other sisterhood members.

SYNAGOGUES

Candle lighting, Oct. 31, 5:26 p.m.
Weekly Readings: Genesis 1, 1-6, 8; I Samuel 20:18-42.

Beth-El Zedeck — Rabbis Dennis and Sandy Sasso, Cantor Robert Zalkin. Services, Oct. 31, 6 p.m. Nov. 1, 10 a.m.

B'nai Torah — Rabbi Chaim Fischweicher. Services Oct. 31, 5:15 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 1, 9 a.m.

Etz Chaim — Rabbi Jehonatan Sharabi. Services Nov. 18:30 a.m.

Indianapolis Hebrew Congregation — Rabbis Jonathan Stein, Bradd Boxman, Cantor Janice Roger. Services Oct. 31, 8:15 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 1, 10:30 a.m.

United Orthodox Hebrew Congregation — Rabbi David Korb. Services Oct. 31, 5:35 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 1, 8:30 a.m.

Shavuah Tov Deadlines

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Please do not rely on overnight delivery by the Post Office. Instead, allow at least two days for news dropped in the mail. All material must be in our office by Wednesday for publication the following Wednesday.

Justice essay contest opens

Students are being urged to enter the annual human rights essay contest sponsored by the Indiana Interreligious Commission on Human Equality and the Indiana Christian Leadership Conference.

Rabbis have been provided with the specifics.

The contest was established to honor the late Martin Luther King, Jr.

Two top winners will receive \$200 each and are invited to read their essays at the ICLC celebration of Dr. King's birthday. The next two winners will receive \$100 U.S. bond. Each of the next six winners will be awarded \$50 bonds.

Details should be obtained from rabbis or schools.

The entry postmark deadline is Dec. 8.

Matthew Drexler to be bar mitzvah

Matthew Hirsch Drexler will become a bar mitzvah Saturday, Nov. 8 in services at Indianapolis Hebrew Congregation.

Matthew is the son of Dr. and Mrs. Leonard H. Drexler of Carmel.

He attended the Hebrew Academy of Indianapolis and the Bureau of Jewish Education. He attends Clay Junior High School and is active in soccer and plays guitar. David also is active in JIFFTY, the IHC temple youth group, and is a teacher's aide in the religious school of the temple.

Among those attending the bar mitzvah services will be his maternal grandmother, Mrs. Anne Brooks of Delray Beach, Fla., and paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. David



Matthew Drexler

Riger of West Palm Beach, Fla.

Matthew's completion of his bar mitzvah studies will be celebrated with a Shabbat dinner and a Sunday brunch for the numerous guests from both coasts.

Congress lauds Elie Wiesel

Senator Dan Quayle R-Ind., was a sponsor of the resolution passed by the Senate congratulating Elie

Wiesel on being chosen for the Nobel Peace Prize. A similar resolution was approved by the House.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 1

9 a.m., B'nai Torah, Michael Freeman bar mitzvah.
7 p.m., Singles Connection scavenger hunt at Sandi Goldsmith's.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2

7 p.m., Dinner for Israel Bonds, Radisson.
11:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Ethnic bake sale at Etz Chaim.
1-4 p.m. Retirement reception for Rabbi and Mrs. David Korb, UOHC.
10 a.m.-6 p.m., NCJW Collector's Choice Sale, Agriculture Building, State Fairgrounds.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 3

10 a.m.-4 p.m. NCJW Collector's Choice Sale, Agriculture Building, State Fairgrounds.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 5

11:30 a.m., JWF Women's benefit, Dr. Sabi Shabtai, The Marott.
7:30 p.m., IU Professor Lawrence Fine, "Judaism in the Middle Ages," at Beth-El.
7:30 p.m. Ambassador Zvi Brosh, ORT event, Dr. Joshua Careskey home.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 7

8:15 p.m., IHC 130th anniversary.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 8

10 a.m. Beth-El, bar mitzvah, David Sheriden.
10:30 a.m., IHC, bar mitzvah, Matthew Drexler

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9

9 a.m.-3 p.m. Book Fair, IHC. New books sale.
8 a.m., Jewish Perspective, WISH-TV, Crisis Intervention.
9 a.m.-1 p.m. JCRC legislative forum at Jewish Community Center.
7:30 p.m. Columnist James J. Kilpatrick at IHC, Block Forum series

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 10

7:30 p.m., Dessert social, JWF Women's Division, home of Susan Frank.
7:30 p.m. Anti-Semitism and the farm crisis, JCRC program at JCCA.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 12

7:30 p.m., Rabbis Sandy and Dennis Sasso, "Enter Modernity: Emancipation and Enlightenment," at Beth-El.
10 a.m.-12 noon, 6 p.m.-8:30 p.m. New book sale, IHC.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 14

After services, new book sale, IHC.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 15

9 a.m., B'nai Torah, David Merin bar mitzvah; Deborah Merin, bat mitzvah.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16

9 a.m.-3 p.m., Book Fair, IHC. New books sale.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 19

7:30 p.m. Arthur Greene, "Contemporary Judaism," at Beth-El.
11:30 a.m. Leah Reicin on "Sex, Incest, Marriage,"

Szold Hadassah group, Holiday House.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23

7:30 p.m. Israeli singing star Chava Alberstein.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 30

8 a.m., Jewish Perspective, WISH-TV, NCJW and aid to battered women.

(Event sponsors, please note: Deadline for placement of notices is Wednesday of week prior to publication date.)

NORM WEISMAN



FLASH! Elections soon? A few funnies to go along with the voting?.....The reporter walked into the newspaper office. "All right," said the editor. "What did our eminent Democratic and Republican statesmen have to say?" "Nothing!" "Well, keep it down to a column!".....OR.....A voting machine is like a slot machine. If you're not lucky, you can wind up with lemons!.....OR.....Primaries are what separate the aspirants from the half-aspirants!

FLASH! On Valentine's Day, Ellie Dlott (Marge Dlott) will march down the aisle to wed Mitch Lover, in Phoenix, Ariz., where Ellie now makes her home. Mitch has his own insurance brokerage in Phoenix, and Ellie is a sales rep for an office supply firm. Congrats to Ellie and Mitch and Mazel Tov to the Dlott family and to the Lover family!

FLASH! Timely chuckle! After the baseball game, he had a hard time getting out of the parking lot, and by that time, the football fans were arriving! And in many ways, the Bible is a surprisingly modern publication! Like Noah, in the Ark, it took him 40 days to find a parking place!

FLASH! What a lovely 40th anniversary dinner party at Broadmoor last Saturday night, for Carla and Earl Harris! This special important event brought in all the six Harris girls and spouses, and their one son, who live in different parts of the country! At the affair, a beautiful oil portrait was unveiled, of Earl and Carla, presented to them by their children! May you have many more happy anniversaries, Carla and Earl!.....Which reminds me about Adam and Eve living together in Paradise! You can tell it's Paradise. Not once does Eve ask Adam to take out the garbage!

FLASH! The secret is out, Michael Potasnick. You just celebrated that special "40th" birthday, Oct. 22. And to help celebrate this auspicious occasion, brother Allan was scheduled to run in the 26-mile marathon in Chicago on Oct. 25. Did you

finish, Allan!.....FLASH! Some goodie one-liners! Eve is remembered as the first woman who ever said, "I haven't got a thing to wear" and meant it!.....AND.....One of the first things you learn in a Christian Science Church is, no matter what happens, never ask, "Is there a doctor in the house?.....AND.....He broke a mirror so he'd live another 7 years!.....AND.....He had a pair of bloomers tattooed on his chest because he always wanted a chest with drawers!

FLASH! My sincerest thanks to everyone who helped to make my "Roast Norman" last week, a wonderful memory to remember the rest of my life! Thanks for all the calls, letters, and personal good wishes and congrats! It was a thrill having a hundred

(100) friends attend and also the "Roasters" — a tremendous feeling to be appreciated and a helluva tribute! I would like to thank the great friend, who couldn't attend the affair, who sent a lovely "Belly Dancer" instead! I would like to mention his name, but Dr. Harold Aron said, "Don't say my name," so I won't tell! God bless everyone in our terrific community!

FLASH! A belated 40th anniversary to Whitney and Bobbi Greenberg, and belated congrats to Dr. Harold and Lorna Aron, on Oct. 18 anniversary!.....Funny? As in America, many of Russia's finest hotels have a television in every room! The difference is, in Russia, the set watches you!.....Another funny? His doctor is a wonderful man! He gave a guy six months to live! The fellow couldn't pay his bill, so he gave him another six months!

FLASH! Nice to have Sara Segal celebrate her natal day on my birthday, Oct. 25! And happy birthday to Mildred Sachs, Oct. 24. Hey girls, did you hear about the butcher who

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Fogle is new JHS prexy

David Fogle of Indianapolis was elected president of the Indiana Jewish Historical Society at its annual meeting at Broadmoor Country Club.

Professor Aron Rodrigue, of Indiana University-Bloomington, was the guest speaker.

Also elected were Dr. Karl Zucker, Terre Haute, first vice president; Earl Brenn, Fort Wayne, second vice president; Wynn Robin, Elkhart, third vice president; and Gladys Kaminsky, Columbus, treasurer.

Joseph Levine will continue to serve as the executive secretary.

Elected to the board of directors were: Professor Raymond Cohen, West

Lafayette; Betty Fleck, Marion; Hy Goldenberg, Huntington; Stanley A. Levine, Fort Wayne; Betty Stein, Fort Wayne; Norman Zuick, Schererville, and Dr. Karl Zucker.

David Kleiman of Fort Wayne is the immediate past president.

The Indiana Jewish Historical Society was founded in 1972 for the purpose of collecting, preserving and publishing material dealing with the 200 years of Jewish life Indiana.

The society has an archive collection of more than 4000 items, publishes a quarterly Newsletter, and has distributed 21 other publications dealing with Jewish life in Indiana.

Teen Beat

By EVAN MELROSE

Indianapolis is fortunate to have a Jewish camp almost within jogging distance. Goldman Union Camp Institute, under the direction of Rabbi Ronald Klotz, attracts campers from the midwest, Canada, and the coasts. Many Indianapolis Teens were at G.U.C.I. this past summer.

During first session, from mid-June to mid-July, the Indianapolis campers were: Kareen Batelman, Heath Boral, Jeff Blumenthal, Sara Banks, Emily Banks, Jill Blumlo, Danny Chudnov, Brian Cohen, Jeff Cohen, Shana Cohen, Mara Douglas, Andy Gitelson, Stephen Glassman, Catherine Goodman, Adam Goodman, Jacqueline Grande, Rochelle Greenwood, Mitchell Harris, Abigail Hurwitz, Steven Hurwitz, Jeremy Klotz, Michael Klotz, Shana Leapman, Robin Melrose, Shannon Melrose, Stacey Linkon, Rosemary Lowenkron, Tara Lowenkron, Shainey Marcus, Jeremy Mendelson, Aaron Pinkus, Joshua Prince, Danielle Rifkin, Julie Shecter, Amy Stein, Jessica Stein, Sam Steinborn, Ilana Weiner, Russel Weisbard, Lisa Weinstein, Wendy Whinston, and

Also there were fewer Indianapolis campers second session, there were more campers attending G.U.C.I. second session, mid-July to mid-August, than in the camp's history. The following campers attended second session: David Arkush, Julie Arkush, Laura Engel, Brent Engelberg, Aaron Gold, Garrett Land, Jason Mintz, Laura Morabito, Aaron Pearlman, Ben Weiss, Debra Arkush, Matthew Drexler, Brent Epstein, Jeremy Klotz, Michael Klotz, Julie Levinsky, Stacey Linkon, Laurie Nelson, Aaron Pinkus, Adam Sharp, Janet Sharp, David Steinberg, Sam Steinborn, Lev Zaks, Michael Drexler, Todd Garner, Keith Goldstein, Jeff Goldt, Lisa Levinsky, David Mintz, Sharon Oppenheim, and Robin Rodenberg.

Many campers return year after year until they are old enough to work as staff at the camp. Several who were staff members this year were: Rachel Stein, Evan Melrose, Hal Rodenberg, Joann Bergida, Lanie Cohen, David Barrett, and Karen Dill.

Many campers return yearly. "It was the best summer of my life," says Rachel Stein after finishing a staff work-study program at camp.

Morris Katz remembers

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which his father and brother Al helped to lay the foundation. Morrie has photographs of the first Israel Bond Dinner at the Claypool Hotel. "I'll never forget" Golda Meir's controversial visit to Indianapolis to address the Bond dinner. Prominent guests at the Dinner included Gov. Henry Schricker, Wendel Wilkie's son, and others. He remembers some of the old timers ("not too many of them left") who were early supporters: Abe Miller, Bert Sicanoff, Jacob Solotken, Sam Ziffrin, Herb Davidson, Bob Stolkin, Ben Sagalowsky and others. Although Golda, then Minister of Labor, urged people to invest in Israel's economic growth, in those early days, Morrie says, supporters of Israel Bonds did not expect to be repaid for their Bond purchases, some looked at it as charity. (Editor's Note: Since then \$8 billion in Bonds have been sold and about half of these Bonds have already been redeemed.)

Morrie remembers starting to work in his father's business as a school boy at age 10 for 50 cents a week. Later he worked full time

for \$3 per week. Today he is chairman of the board and chief executive officer. Donald Katz, his nephew, who is State of Israel Bond General Chairman, is president of the Company.

In addition to running the company, Morrie spent almost 50 years in politics, charitable work, and work on behalf of Israel through such organizations as AIPAC, which he helped found. He was a frequent visitor to the White House and the halls of Congress here he would lobby on behalf of Israel. He undertook missions on behalf of the U.S. government, some sensitive which he is reluctant to discuss. His wall is bedecked with photographs taken with political leaders and Hollywood entertainers.

This coming Sunday, Morrie will be honored by the State of Israel. In the presence of his family and friends he will receive the Gates of Jerusalem Medal, one of the most prestigious awards.

Morris Abram, one of the great Americans, will be the guest speaker.

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Norm Weisman

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backed into the meat grinder and got a little behind in his orders?.....Did you hear about the doctor who said, "I believe that women can make the best doctors!" And the nurse remarked, "You are right. I've made three or four doctors myself!"

FLASH! Potpourri! Danny Sacks of the "Tickets Up Front" bowling team in the B'nai B'rith Bowling League, made the almost impossible 2-4-8-10 split! A great shot by a swell guy! Congrats Danny!..... Women's American ORT will be delivering their annual lox-box brunches, for 4, on Sunday, Nov. 9. If it's not too late, order from Jane Weinberger, 875-0942 or Ado Fogle, 849-5091!.....Gossip has it that Shapiro's will not be remodeling to make the restaurant larger, but will go across the street and build a new large Shapiro's!.....And the grapevine news is that Beth-El Zedeck will be bringing a musical show soon! More details will follow!

FLASH! Love this! The auto repair shops and insurance companies have a reply to warranties! It is called a "Nudist Clause"! All the things that "aren't covered" (Abe Lincoln said "You can't fool all of the people all the time!" Obviously, he didn't know about warranties!).....AND.....As the team captain, of the fund drive, said to the canvasser, "That was the sneakiest, trickiest most underhanded way to get a \$1,000 pledge I ever saw! Keep up the good work!"

FLASH! A "personal" wish! One group that could be a real boon to our community, for a togetherness! I'd like to see the former Tri-Men's Clubs meet annually, again! I'd love to help! Remember, I started the "Stunt Nite," the first "Singles" group, etc! Any interest!.....A tee hee! You're getting old when your thoughts have turned from passion to pension!

FLASH! And once again, our travelling sisters, Dorothy Schlesinger and Helen Hatfield, have just returned from a 25-day trek across China and into the very primitive Inner Mongolia! They spent 12 hours on a primitive train to reach Mongolia! They flew to Shanghai and traveled by bus, train and plane to cross China, north to south.

These gals are terrific! Glad you-all are back to stay a

while!.....FLASH! Want to welcome Arlene Weinberg and Larry to Indy, where they will now make their home. They are Hoosiers, coming from Muncie!..... True! Inflation is when the tip you leave at lunch used to buy one!

FLASH! United Orthodox Hebrew Congregation, 59th and Central, will be honoring Rabbi and Mrs. David Korb, on the occasion of their retirement, at a reception on Sunday, Nov. 2, 1-4 p.m.!.....FLASH! "Freezer Pleaser Sale" of Jewish Gourmet Kosher Delicacies, is now available at Beth-El Zedeck! These "mihles"

have been prepared at Beth-El Zedeck, by sisterhood, and supervised by Ann Seif! Call Ann 257-5752 for additional info!.....A question! Have you ever noticed that when a traffic signal turns green, it automatically activates the horn of the car behind you?

FLASH! Two businessmen were getting a bit hot under the collar. "I'll sue you in the state court!" "I'll meet you there!" "I'll sue you in the Supreme Court!" "I'll be there to answer you!" "I'll sue you to the deepest level of hell!" "My attorney will be there!"

Dr. Feigenbaum honored by IU

BLOOMINGTON — Dr. Harvey Feigenbaum, an Indianapolis specialist in diagnosing heart disease, received a distinguished alum-nus award Friday, Oct. 24, at a banquet at Indiana University.


Feigenbaum is a professor of medicine and senior research associate at the Krannert Institute of Cardiology at the IU school of medicine in Indianapolis. He was honored for his major role in developing echocardiography, a process that uses sound waves to "picture" the heart.

Feigenbaum and his staff have helped to train doctors from around the world in the use of the process. He is a



Harvey Feigenbaum

founder of the American Society of Echocardiography, established in 1975. He served as its first president.



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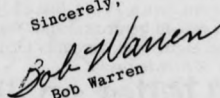
I have campaigned very hard for over one year and I have focused on and highlighted two major issues - one is the drug problem that President Reagan said is at an epidemic stage. As an eighteen year law enforcement officer I agree with him and I am doing something tangible about it. I have publicly committed to allow the commission fees due the sheriff as part of his income to go into a special drug fighting fund, called S O C - Save Our Community, Inc. An editorial in the Indianapolis News approved this program.

The other critical issue that I have taken a strong position on is the probability of a consolidation effort by downtown politicians to merge the Sheriff's office with the Indianapolis Police Department. The township fire departments and even our township schools might be next. This will not happen if I am elected your sheriff.

These two very important issues are vital for your future. You have my commitment that I will declare an all out war against the drug plague, and I hope to have our community serve as a model for our Country.

Please know I fully favor our two party system and respect one's loyalty to their chosen political party. However, when it comes to good law enforcement, where our children are so involved, I have no misgivings in asking for your support.

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Another Luckman

Memories of one of the nation's football greats were revived as **Brian Luckman** kicked a 22-yard field goal for his Highland Park High School team to defeat Evanston, Ill. High School by the score of 3-0. There was a difference in the positions the two played as **Sid Luckman**, Columbia U. and later the Chicago Bears, was the supreme quarterback, of his day. To win the 1940 game for the world championship, Luckman led the team to a 73-0 win, repeating the win but not the score a year later. The victory for Brian's team was its third straight over-time win.

Not a feminist

Shoshana Arbeli-Almozlino, Israel's new health minister has not won feminist friends for her stand on women's rights legislation. **Arbeli-Almozlino**, 60, who emigrated from her native Mosul, Iraq more than 30 years ago, has fought equal rights legislation saying it conflicts with working mothers' needs for flexible working hours. She is the fourth woman to serve in Israel's cabinet and the second to head a ministry. The first was the late prime minister **Golda Meier**, who before becoming prime minister headed the Labor and Foreign ministries.

Entrepreneur of the year

Frieda Caplan, 63, a vegetable visionary and "no small potato" among women entrepreneurs, has received *Working Woman Magazine's* first who is chairman of **Frieda's Finest**, introduced kiwi fruit, shitake mushrooms and spaghetti squash to the United States. The daughter of Russian immigrants, she quit her job as production manager of a nylon-thread company to start her Los Angeles company in 1962. New foods she will put on the Waterford crystal tray presented to her by *Working Woman* include horned melon, mini pumpkins, and hon shimeji mushrooms. The magazine and AT&T also named as first entrants to a businesswomen's hall of fame: **Sesame Street** creator **Joan Ganz Cooney**, brokerage firm owner **Muriel Siebert**, mail order catalog queen **Lillian Katz**, consultant **Rosabeth Moss Kanter**, radio station owner **Dorothy Brunson**, and actress **Lucille Ball**.

Smile for everyone

Probably the best-known individual in Portland, Me., was **Julius C. Silverman**, and when he passed away at the age of 76, a plaque in his memory was placed at a local savings bank. For years, he walked the city's main streets in his shabby clothes chatting with merchants and passersby, running errands for a few dollars and feeding pigeons. He slept in a \$58-a-week apartment where he didn't even own a TV set. Just a few days before the plaque was to be dedicated, it was discovered that he had eight bank accounts total-

ling \$327,000, which is being divided among 13 first cousins two second cousins, since he left no will. The plaque reads: "In memory of **Julius Silverman**, The Mayor of Congress Street, 1909-1985. He had a good word and a smile for everyone."

The Bat Mitzvah

Twinning Bar and Bat Mitzvahs with Russian Jewish youth who are prevented from observing such lifestyle occasions has grown by leaps and bounds, but it remained for **Alison Geare** to ask to share her special occasion with **Amy Glass**, who suffers from Down's Syndrome. **Rabbi Seymour Essrog**, of Beth Israel Congregation, at Randallstown, a Baltimore suburb, called it "an inspiring experience," according to the *Baltimore Jewish Times*. "I think it's remarkable that a young girl of **Alison's** age should have such sensitivity and compassion," said the rabbi. "It personifies the ideal of what a Bat Mitzvah should be. I think it left a strong impression on the entire congregation." **Amy's** mother said, "I'm just flabbergasted." She attended the service in Beth Israel's crowded main sanctuary with her own parents and several of her other children. "I never dreamed



Alison and Amy

Amy would be able to have a Bat Mitzvah. It was really quite moving. I don't think **Amy** or I will ever forget **Alison's** understanding and compassion." "I feel that people who have special needs should have a chance to participate in something like this," said **Geare**, 13, a student at Old Court middle school. "There is no cure for **Amy's** disease, so there are many things she will never be able to do in her life. At least she'll always remember her Bat Mitzvah." **Glass**, 19, resides at the Gallagher Center in Towson and attends Hebrew school classes at Chizuk Amuno every Sunday. She was chosen because of her emotional advancement and strong desire to have a Bat Mitzvah.

Musical on Herzl

A new musical, "Dori," based on the life of **Theodor Herzl**, will have its world premier concert today at New York's Cathedral of St. John the Divine, with **Douglas Fairbanks, Jr.**, narrating. The concert benefits the cathedral, B'nai Brith, the National Council of Christians and

Jews and the Zionist Organization of America. The musical will open next year on Broadway.

He earned it

Actor **Kirk Douglas**, discussing his new movie with **Burt Lancaster**, "Tough Guys," in which they play a pair of old-time train robbers emerging from prison and determined to pull one last "job," explained he performed all his own stunts. The reason — he worked hard all his life and has kept in condition through working at all kinds of jobs, including in a steel mill. Interviewed at the offices of his company, **Bryna Productions** (named after his mother), **Douglas** said he had never forgotten his roots as a son of poor Russian immigrants in Amsterdam, N.Y. "The reason most actors become actors is that it's a form of escape. My father left us when I was at an early age. I had six sisters and my mother. Seven women — how would I survive it? When I was a kid I could escape in a world of fantasy and daydreams." After Navy service in World War II, he began to make a name for himself in the New York Theatre, but turned down an offer to come to Hollywood, calling it "trash." A year later, he said, "I was out of a job, and had a wife and my son, **Michael**. I wondered, 'Do they still want me in Hollywood?' I made a long-distance call, and ended up with my first film, *The Strange Love of Martha Ivers*."

Gershwin recalled

The songs of **George Gershwin** reverberated through the White House in the first of a series of four such musical sessions, while **Mr. Reagan** and his wife entertained. Three "Porgy and Bess" tunes from the Gershwin classic were performed by **George Merritt** and **Priscilla Baskerville** — "I Got Plenty O'Nothin'," "Summertime" and "Bess, You Is My Woman Now." **Gershwin** died at the age of 38 in 1937. The concert will be broadcast on Channel 13 in New York on Nov. 19 and nationally by public TV stations.

Wiesel's Moscow visit

The five-day visit to Moscow by **Elie Wiesel** may not have been a flop as far as his intended purpose — to arrange for Soviet participation in a conference of non-Jewish victims of Nazism that he is organizing in Washington for February, but he did not get to see **Gorbachev** and after his visit to the Moscow Synagogue's traditional Simchat Torah celebrations with several thousand Jews dancing and singing in the street, police arrived to disperse the worshippers and five were arrested. He later called for their release. In a press conference, he appealed to the Kremlin to resume issuing visas in large numbers: "I say without any anger, without any animosity, with deep compassion, that it would be to the honor of the new style of leadership to allow these men, women and children to be happy again." **Wiesel** had made it a point before he left for Russia that he hoped to meet with **Gorbachev**. What he got was a promise for the "not too distant future."

our civil rights by putting all on an equal footing, but more remains to be done."

The letter was in response to one from **Noah** to the President at his Charlottesville, Va. home, enclosing a copy of his speech at the dedication of **Congregation Shearith Israel** in New York.

Jefferson letter on Jews is to be auctioned today

NEW YORK — A price from \$25,000 to \$35,000 is expected for a letter written by **Thomas Jefferson** condemning prejudice towards Jews and religious intolerance. The letter, written in 1818 to **Mordecai Manuel Noah**,

will be auctioned today by **Sotheby's**.

The letter, which only recently came to light although for some 50 years it had been in the possession of **Charles J. Rosenbloom** of Pittsburgh, a Jewish leader,

read: "I have read it with pleasure and instruction, having learnt from it some valuable facts in Jewish history which I did not know before. Your sect by its sufferings has furnished a remarkable proof of the uni-

versal spirit of religious intolerance, inherent in every sect, disclaimed by all while feeble, and practiced by all when in power. Our laws have applied the only antidote to this vice, protecting our religious, as they do

God is 'not all-powerful,' says British rabbi

LONDON — His assertion that he cannot conceive of God as "all powerful" but as a God, who like an artist, "has to work with the material at his disposal," rated a full page banner in The Jewish Chronicle here for Rabbi Sidney Brichto. The executive director of the Union of Liberal and Progressive Synagogue made the assertion in a High Holiday sermon.

He was most outspoken.

He said that most Jews keep hidden the fact that they are not believers. "Some say we are living in an age of great doubt. It is not so. We are living in an age of disbelief."

"We Jews are Jews because we are loyal — we take pride in our Jewishness, but not in our Judaism. We take pride in our roots but not in our faith. The

Jewish community has ceased to be a community of believers. It has become a community of believers."

Continuing he said: "I do not criticize Jews for this because I am one of them and it is to our credit that when Hitler and his demons determined to destroy every Jew, our response was to keep Jews alive."

His won belief was that God was the creator and inspiration of all that was good and rational in the world, but not "all-powerful." Rabbi Brichto said the basis of his faith was that man had the right to make demands upon God, to express dissatisfaction with the way the world was run. "It enabled me to hold on to my conviction of the existence of God even after the world seemed like a godless place once the horrors of the

Nazi terror became fully known. How could there be a God who could permit the sufferings of the innocent if He had the power to stop it?"

The answer that men were given free will to wreak havoc on their fellow creatures "has never satisfied me," Rabbi Brichto said. But despite man's inhumanity to man and in spite of natural disasters causing death to thousands and lives cut short by disease, he still believed in God, the miracle and mystery of the universe and the hunger within the human soul for a God who is a guarantor of values. "The faith of our religious geniuses in a transcendent power outside themselves makes me believe."

First Libya, now Syria

Terrorism suffers blow

Terrorism was struck its gravest blow by a curious train of events which started with what could have been Israel's worst disaster and now has led to the isolation of Syria, Israel's strongest enemy and the source of many, if not most of the attacks on her. Syria has not rebounded from Syria the breaking of diplomatic relations by England where the El Al flight that was to be blown up originated. Her direct role in the plan to blow up the plane with over 350 passengers has been established. A sharp Israeli examiner at Heathrow Airport discovered the bomb material in the luggage of a woman who, as it later turned out, was being used by her lover as a ploy in demolishing the plane in flight with her as one of the victims.

The U.S. and Canada have approved England's action, and Russian is under pressure to take a stand against terrorism and, of course, her closest ally in the Middle East.

Nezar Hindawi's conviction in a British court for the bomb plot resulted in a quick chain of events. Hindawi confessed to police, implicating the Syrian Embassy in London, and although he later sought to deny his confession, he was sentenced to a long term. The various strings to his courting of a British girl, who was pregnant at the time and to whom he had promised marriage in Israel when he reached there a few days later, implicated him and Syria beyond doubt.

From Turkey came accusations of a Syrian role in the bombing of the Istanbul

synagogue which took the lives of 20 worshippers.

The U.S. and Canada have recalled its Ambassadors from Damascus.

The British actions, following the raid by the U.S. on Libya, set precedents for ways for governments to react when they are victims of terrorist acts. Although terrorism cannot be expected to be wiped out by such steps, it may be contained to some extent. At least now, observers say, governments will be wary before lending themselves to sponsoring terrorists.

England put Russia on the spot when she asked the Soviet Union to speak out on state-supported terrorism, which means taking a step that would receive commendation in the West but which could alienate her ally, Syria.

You are too opulent, Shamir tells diaspora

TEL AVIV — How the United Jewish Appeal would look upon the first statement made by the new Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir was a good question when he told a meeting of Betar veterans that the present "satisfaction and opulence" of the world Jewish community has the "kiss of death" for the Jewish people. He became more

reasonable when he told of a two-prong program to the change the atmosphere in the diaspora toward emigration (to Israel) and to prepare the infrastructure in Israel to receive masses of newcomers when they arrive. He said Israel must improve the economy, strengthen the defense system and settle the entire area of the Land of Israel.

'For Jews Only' ad said permissible

JERUSALEM — Stating that the advertisement which called "for Jews only" evoked his "distress and revulsion," Attorney General Yosef Harish stated that under current provisions of the law, he could not prosecute. The advertisement was placed in the Hebrew newspapers by

Bimbad Yirmi and Sons, of Tel Aviv.

Member of Knesset Yair Tzaban, who brought the ad to the attention of Harish, plans to introduce an amendment to the anti-racism law and the Employment Service Law to make discrimination on the basis of race a punishable offense.

Reform temple follows 'tradition'

Congregation reads Torah in day

BURLINGAME, Ca. — The entire Torah was read in one day at Peninsula Temple Shalom here. The procedure followed an ancient procedure and Rabbi Gerald Raiskin, of the Reform congregation, told The Northern California Jewish Bulletin that the occasion followed the commandment that Jews read the entire Torah in one sitting every seven years. The reading lasted five hours by 50 members of the congregation, from the youngest as members of the Confirmation class to the oldest, a founding member of the congregation.

The readers were permitted to choose the language

they preferred, whether Hebrew, Yiddish, German, English, Farsi, French or Spanish. Rabbi Raiskin chose to read Numbers 15:37-41, which was his Bar Mitzvah portion. Not content with the Torah read-

ing, Rabbi Raiskin also scheduled the reading of all 150 psalms, pointing out that on Shavuot it is a tradition that this was the birth and death of King David, the author of the psalms.

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INVESTING

By Louis Ehrenkrantz

For some time now the average childbearing age of the American woman has been moving upward in years. This has worked in Vivigen's favor. Vivigen's basic business is the testing of amniotic fluid. It is the largest publicly held company tied to the fortunes of amniocentesis. The stock trades over-the-counter at 6 7/8 and is a good speculative purchase in my opinion.

Vivigen's basic business is chromosome analysis, which, to date, has been most visible in the area of amniocentesis. VIVI serves physicians, hospitals and health maintenance organizations by offering analysis of blood, bone marrow and tissue in addition to amniotic fluid. While exact figures are not yet available, it is believed that the use of these cytogenic procedures is increasing rapidly. The revenue expectation of \$2,500,000 in this year versus \$536,884 last year bears this out. (It should help the stock also, provided that the media doesn't reverse the figures when they are announced.)

Although Vivigen is only one of hundreds of entities supplying these services, the competition is primarily of the mom and pop variety. Very few do more than 10% of Vivigen's volume and they operate only in local markets. The Company is a leader in a dramatic growth industry because of an increasing awareness on the part of the public of the need for prenatal diagnosis, especially in maternal age groups above 35 and for those whose family history indicates a risk of bearing children with serious birth defects.

There are a number of competitive edges that Vivigen enjoys in its business. As its president pointed out, many laboratories are associated with teaching hospitals which do not consider themselves in the "business of medicine." Vivigen reports back more quickly than its competitors. Hospital laboratories are slower because they are hampered by budgetary restrictions that prevent purchasing state-of-the-art technology. The ability to report more quickly is significant because the decision to abort a fetus should be made before the 22 week of pregnancy. The earlier this occurs, the less dangerous is the procedure. Since Down Syndrome's frequency increases with maternal age, the use of amniocentesis may be expected to rise as the national trend towards birth at a later maternal age grows.

Despite the fact that Vivigen performs more than 1% of all procedures done in this country, its ultimate growth may be found in other applications of chromosome analysis, especially in the area of cancer. Eventually, VIVI expects to move into DNA technology which is the gateway to understanding even more genetic disorders. It also plans to offer expectant parents genetic counseling early in the pregnancy.

The perception of Vivigen as solely an "amniocentesis company" hurt the stock when a new test for birth defects very early during pregnancy was announced. The new (experimental) procedure is called chorion villus sampling, or CVS. The chorion sampling is done between the sixth and eighth week of pregnancy. Proponents of this new method make the claim that CVS is as safe a process as amniocentesis. VIVI declined a full point when the media trumpeted the news. Vivigen's position is that its job is chromosome analysis, and it makes little difference if it tests for a cell drawn via the CVS method or by amniocentesis. Although there might be some dislocation in making such a change, it must also be noted that full-scale use of CVS is probably five years away. What might happen in those five years may be hinted at in the earnings outlook for the coming twelve months.

In 1985, Vivigen earned 5 cents a share, processing 4,309 cytogenic procedures, versus a loss of 20 cents Vivigen a share on 1,363 procedures. For the first half of 1986, Vivigen earned 3 cents a share despite a "dead period" in the second quarter when no procedures could be done as the Company moved to its new headquarters. I am expecting 14 cents a share this year versus 5 cents last year, and although it may be too early to talk about the extent of net profits in 1987, I look for \$5.3 million in sales versus \$2.5 million this year.

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So says Rabbi Emanuel Feldman

Only Orthodoxy growing

By MARK HAYDEN

MEMPHIS — "Every Jew deserves our love whether he's Reform, Conservative or Orthodox," Rabbi Emanuel Feldman of Atlanta told a Baron Hirsch Congregation meeting here. "We shouldn't criticize other sects; we've got our own problems."

Unorthodox Jews are yearning for meaning and observance, he added. Feldman believes this is one of the reasons why the cult movements have grown lately.

He said Orthodoxy is the only branch of Judaism that is growing. But it is also a branch of extremism on all sides. "The American Jewish community finds itself in contradictory practices. American Orthodoxy is on the rise but so is intermarriage. There is more Torah learning but there is more Jewish ignorance," he concluded.

But Orthodoxy on the whole is thriving and flourish-

ing. "Divorce rate is low and births are high. Rabbis are respected much more now. The figures for Orthodox Jewry is so impressive because growth within the branch was low in the mid-20th century. 'It was just an astonishing recovery,' he said.

But if things are so good why are things so bad, he asked? "Why do we have learned people but then have ignorance? Why haven't we made an impact on the total Jewish community? Perhaps we have a long way to go," he said. "Some people are still too materialistic."

"But there are problems in Judaism when 45 percent of Reform rabbis don't mind officiating at intermarriage and when 65 percent of the kids today see no problem in intermarriage while dating a person who is non-Jewish is acceptable." There is also what Feldman calls the two-week quickie conversion to

Judaism. "It doesn't make you a Jew just because you've been converted."

For naturally-born Jews along with the converted, Feldman gives this advice. There is a big difference between being religious and being observant. "One can be observant but also can be secular. Only the Torah's values are genuine," he said. "The goal of each Jew is to be a little selfish. 'How am I performing,' he should say. One needs to be more introspective this time of year. If we do this, life takes on more meaning."

Closing his address he spoke optimistically about Judaism's future. Both day schools and yeshivas are strong, but he added, we can't rest on our laurels.

Baron Hirsch senior rabbi Raphael Grossman spoke in Atlanta the next evening to conclude the visiting rabbi series between the two southern synagogues.

AIDS death is 3rd at hospital

HAIFA — The third death from AIDS at the Rambam Hospital here was a man who had lived in the U.S. for a number of years and returned to Israel a few months ago. He was not identified, but was known as a homosexual.

Vanunu siezed by the Mossad?

JERUSALEM — A close and dagger plan has brought Mordechai Vanunu, 31, into the arms of Israeli authorities, it is being claimed in newspaper accounts. Vanunu revealed to a London newspaper Israel's A-bomb proclivities at its Dimona installation where he was employed for 10 years until recently.

The newspaper accounts have the Israeli being lured to a European excursion which took him finally to the Mediterranean where the Mossad's Israel's secret police are said to have seized him when he boarded

a yacht which took him into international waters. If the accounts are correct, he can be tried in Israel courts on charges of treason.

An Australian Anglican priest said that Vanunu had converted to Christianity.

OBITUARIES

David Rubinoff, violinist, dies

COLUMBUS, Oh. — A name famous on radio and in orchestras in the 1930s and for a number of years passed from the scene in the death of David Rubinoff, the violinist, at the age of 89. He led popular orchestras in New York that included Benny Goodman, Glenn Miller, Artie Shaw and the

Dorsey Brothers. Before going to New York he played with the Pittsburgh Symphony, where he was a conductor and soloist. On the radio his name was on everyone's tongue as he was conductor and soloist for the Chase and Sanborn Hour featuring Eddie Cantor and other programs.

Sidney Letush, 77, dies in Chicago

CHICAGO — Sidney Letush, who served as a vice president of the Zionist Organization of America, died here at the age of 77. He served as associate chair-

man of the Chicago Jewish community Forum and as a director of the Board of Jewish Education and the College of Jewish Studies.

Rabbi Gustave Falk, succumbs at age 80

DALLAS — Rabbi Gustave F. Falk, who served as area director for the Union of American Hebrew congregations and before that in the same position for the

American Jewish Committee, died here at the age of 80. He organized and directed the Adult School of Jewish Studies in New York.

On a new tact

By SUE ELLEN BERMAN

With this column, I am going to begin a new series of articles. I am a rabbi. What is it that a rabbi, hopefully, does best? Teach Torah, of



course. That is what I plan to do for a little while now.

Please don't stop reading. This is not going to be boring. Rumor has it that learning Torah is boring. Well, it need not be. Let me show you what I mean. Take that first set of Jewish parents in the world, Abraham and Sarah. They weren't always called that, you know. They used to be Abram and Sarai. (Gee, back then even men changed their names. Who says they weren't smarter than us?) Abraham and Sarah had one son. (He actually had two sons, but that's another story.) Isaac was his name. I often wonder what kind of parents old Abe and Sarah were. (And believe me, they were old — past 100 by the time he became Bar Mitzvah.) Abe wasn't home very much. He travelled, it seems, for a living. Shepherding and Godtalking. I'm not sure which he did more of; herding the sheep or talking to this God no one else believed in anyway. But that's what he did with his time.

Sarah ran the household. She had live-in help, but never did treat them well. Oftentimes, she journeyed with Abraham, though it is never recorded that she asked him where they were going. She just seemed to go along when necessary. She was also in charge of clan business and physical property. We don't know who did the child-rearing in this family. The only thing of which we are certain is that Abraham and Sarah threw a big party when Isaac was weaned. That's all we know for sure.

Most of the stories handed down to us have to do either with Abraham and God or Sarah and Hagar (Remember the other kid? That was his mother) or

Sarah and Pharoah (when- ever he shows up, it's trouble, for sure). Isaac only has a big part once in his childhood. At that point, Abraham was going to take him up the side of a mountain and offer him as a sacrifice. (At least he thought that that was what God wanted.) Even when Isaac got married, all he did was show up. He didn't even get in a suggestion on with whom he would have liked to spend the rest of his life. That job was left to Abraham's trusted servant (whose name we don't even know!).

Not the greatest of lives, if you ask me. And definitely not the greatest of lives, if you ask me. And definitely not the greatest of parents. Now here's the interesting part — there is no word in biblical Hebrew for parents. That term comes later. I believe that that isn't accidental. None of this is. Why would such an unflattering portrait of supposedly great people be painted? I remember reading Torah and wanting to find heroes and heroines and role models. I didn't.

Instead, I found people. I found real human beings. Abraham and Sarah were not the Waltons. They were flesh and blood human beings who did most things only so-so. To be sure, they did some things extremely well. Few people communed with God better than did Abraham. No one could run the daily affairs of a large clan better than Sarah. But they couldn't be perfect in all things. I'm glad for that. Because I can't be perfect either.

I spent a long time wishing my parents were perfect. They're not. Neither am I. But like Abraham and Sarah and poor, bedraggled Isaac, too, I'm doing the best I can. If it was good enough for them, it's good enough for me, too.

That's why I love the Torah. It's about people. And since we're people, it's about us. And though they lived in a different time and place, there's a lot we have in common. And, above all, it is anything but boring. Next time: Poor Isaac.

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Were the rabbis joking?

By JACOB NEUSNER

I call attention to the judgment of James Kugel, a Judaic professor at Harvard, that in making up their explanations of verses of



Scripture, the sages of the Midrash-compilations were really kidding around in a smart, professorial way. He says:

"Perhaps in this sense it would not be inappropriate to compare their manner of circulating to that of jokes in modern society; indeed, they were kind of joking, a learned and sophisticated play about the biblical text, and like jokes they were passed on, modified, and improved as they went, until a great many of them eventually entered into the common inheritance of every Jew..."

I do not concur in Kugel's judgment that at issue was just a little of clever nonsense about nothing that mattered very much except to professors.

What I find stunning in the midrash-compilations as well as in their contents, the midrash-exegeses is the opposite of what Kugel finds there.

Is is the urgency and immediacy of matters, not the cleverness and erudition demonstrated therein. Israel, the people of God, turned with deep anxieties about salvation to genesis, Leviticus, and the sacred calendar.

I find nothing amusing, merely clever, or particularly erudite in what the sages found there. In my description, analysis, the interpretation of the midrash-compilations, I find messages of self-evident truth in response to questions of life and death.

As a believing Jew, a Conservative Jew and a Conservative rabbi, I too have a position to express.

For the Orthodox have no monopoly on Judaism, and they have not had one for 200 hundred years.

In this judgment of Kugel's I find no merit, since it

treats as trivial and merely personal what is in fact a monumental theological statement of the founders of Judaism. Our sages were not scholars, mere clever erudites. They were holy men and they gave God's judgment, through the Torah, oral and written, to suffering Israel — then and now.

As a religious Jew, that is my deepest conviction, on account of which I cannot find redeeming arguments in behalf of Kugel's amazing judgment.

Taking *midrash-meaning-exegesis* out of the documentary context, that is, *midrash-meaning-a-document*

But the people who made those compilations, our sages of blessed memory, accomplished a most solemn achievement: they saved Judaism in the hour of its most profound disappointment

that organizes and presents midrash turns midrash into mishmash. That is not because is not because of errors of judgment about trivialities, let alone because he does not know what he is talking about, but because of a fundamental error in the reading of the literature. Since, as I said, Kugel has evidently read the documents atomistically, he claims that they are made up only of atoms.

Still, before concluding, I hasten to say a word in Kugel's defense. It would be an altogether too harsh judgment to conclude that Kugel is merely making things up as he goes along, though a certain distance does appear to have opened up between Kugel's allegations about the literature he purports to interpret and the actual character of documents of that same literature. I believe he has conscientiously done his best to represent things he has studied as well as he can. But it would be a bit generous to concede that he has done his homework awfully well.

Since my description of the documents is accurate and available for all to study if they wish, and since that literary judgment on matters of rhetoric, logic,

and topic stands at complete variance with Kugel's premises, I think we shall have to conclude that he has some considerable gaps in his mastery of the sources — at least the important samples I have discussed in my various books on midrash-compilations.

I think he professors who tell us the ancient rabbis were making jokes read the ancient rabbis as professors, for whom there was little at stake and nothing much in mind.

Scholarship is autobiographical, in ways in which all creative work is autobiographical: a statement

not only by the individual but about the individual. Perhaps the professors think Midrash-compilations of exegeses of Scripture were collections of jokes. But the people who made those compilations, our sages of blessed memory, accomplished a most solemn achievement: they saved Judaism in the hour of its most profound disappointment.

And yet, by stating in a forthright and unabashed way the convictions of Orthodox Judaism as well as a fair part of ethnic Judaic scholarship concerning midrash, Kugel deserves our thanks for precipitating a fruitful debate. We in the academic sector of Judaic studies welcome that debate with the Orthodox and the ethnics, and we intend to pursue it most vigorously.

Let me repeat in the end what I believe our sages of blessed memory teach us in Genesis Rabbah — and readers can decide for themselves whether our sages are making jokes or creating theology to sustain suffering Israel. In a few words let me restate the conviction of the framers of Genesis Rabbah about the message and meaning of the book of Genesis:

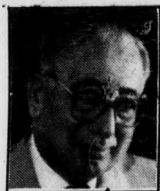
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Wiesel bits

By RABBI SAMUEL SILVER

Eliezer Wiesel is the second writer for the Forward to get a Nobel. The first was, of course, Isaac Bashevis Singer, whose new



novel, *The Secret*, is currently being serialized in The Forward. The Forward was one of the first to discover Wiesel and gave him employment as a writer shortly after his arrival in this country.

But one of Wiesel's friends is the editor of the *Algemeiner Journal*, Gershon Jacobson, who was received by the new Nobel laureate in his E. 64th St. home in Manhattan shortly after the word came on hand while Wiesel received telegrams and phone calls from many admirers.

The editor reviews the life of the Holocaust man and is told by Wiesel that the Nobel is being given not to him but to his people, or rather, "to the Jew in me." Wiesel was getting ready to depart for Moscow for Simchat Torah and told Jacobson, as he told others, that perhaps he would be granted an audience with Gorbachev.

In the same issue of the *Journal*, Wiesel has a foreword in Yiddish to a book of sermons and essays by Rabbi Isaac Avigdor, of Hartford, Ct. Avigdor tells in his book of his own concentration camp ordeal and relates how his father also was in a camp and was released. A poignant scene in the book, movingly relayed by Wiesel, tells of a Yom Kippur service in Brussels after both Avigdors were released from their interments. At the service the elder Avigdor cried out to the Lord, "On this Yom Kippur You should beg us to forgive You for witnessing the slaughter of so many Jewish children and remaining silent."

The *Journal* has a two-page Wiesel pictorial spread, showing the laure-

ate with Reagan, Carter, Begin, Peres, Lautenberg, Shultz, his wife, Marian and their son, Shlomo Elisha. Jacobson also writes that the Nobel people pondered whether to give Wiesel the literary prize (for the 20 books he wrote) or the Peace Award, finally deciding on the latter.

Not well in Turkey

In the wake of the Istanbul pogrom there were media stories about how well off the Jews of Turkey are, and how friendly the regime was to Israel. But it turns out that the friendliness is limited.

For one thing, Turkey wouldn't allow any Israeli cabinet members to attend the funeral. The Sephardic chief rabbi, Mordecai Elihu, did not attend. But the reports he brought back were not cheerful. He said on a government trip to Turkey that Jewish youngsters may not have more than one hour a week of Jewish studies. Furthermore, the courses may take place only in synagogues. At one time, there were a number of yeshivot and Talmud torahs in Turkey. They're all gone, the rabbi moaned. (The Forward)

Grael's funeral

The captain of the ship, "Exodus," was there, as well as a number of those who sailed on it towards Israel. Members of the Israel cabinet were also on hand plus a navy band. The event was the burial of John Stanley Grael in a Christian cemetery in Jerusalem. Almost a legend, Grael was one of the most active champions and fundraisers for the State of Israel. His Zionism was ignited when, as a 28-year-old Methodist minister he heard Ben-Gurion speak. Thereafter he became an ardent worker for Israel, serving for eight months on the crew of the ship, Exodus. On one of his numerous trips to Israel, he asked to be buried in the Holy Land. The wish was mournfully granted. (R. Roshem, in the Forward)

By ARNOLD AGES

One of the first things I learned when I went to the United States for graduate work many years ago was the tremendous importance



accorded higher education there.

In 1956 when I entered Ohio State I discovered that there were more colleges and universities in the state of Ohio than in all of Canada. The number then was Ohio 53, Canada 51.

Since that time the ratio has not changed radically although a half a dozen new Canadian colleges and universities were created in this country in the last 30 years.

One of the reasons to explain the disparity is that in Canada a college education was never really considered a necessity until the period after 1960. A high school diploma was generally considered to be

the terminal diploma. In 1953 when I graduated from high school only five students in a class of 30 went on to pursue a college degree.

Today, of course, there are many more Canadians who go off to college after high school. In the 1980's university enrollment is reaching an all time high as school administrators seek to cope with huge class room sizes.

There is one major difference between the Canadian and the American university scene. In Canada there are really no completely independent universities such as Harvard, Yale, Columbia or Princeton.

The vast majority of Canadian universities are subsidized by the provincial governments. The only exceptions are some small church supported colleges which, however, do not have any significant impact on the intellectual plane.

The biggest university community is that found in the province of Ontario. There are more than a dozen higher institutions of learning in Ontario, including, in my view, the best university in Canada — the University of Toronto. The latter university boasts academics of the stature of

Northrop Frye, probably the world's greatest literary critic.

The only other unique university in the province of Ontario is the University of Waterloo, an "instant" university created by the Ontario government in the late 1950's as a response to the growing population in the province. Waterloo has the distinction of having not only Canada's only Faculty of Mathematics but a cooperative, work-study program that has attracted some of the country's best students. Those work-study programs include many of the humanities areas as well.

Outside of Ontario McGill University in Montreal still retains a special cachet although its reputation was tarnished during the political upheavals in Quebec when French elements in the province sought to make the university more responsive to nationalist sensitivities.

Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta have good provincial universities but you have to go to the University of British Columbia in Vancouver to find another school which approaches the University of Toronto or McGill.

FLASHBACKS IN JEWISH HISTORY

Jaffa's role in Jewish history

By RABBI A.P. BLOCH

1890 — The cornerstone of the first house built outside of Jaffa in a projected new Jewish quarter, Neve Shalom, oasis of peace, was laid on Aug. 1.



The increase in the number of Jews residing in Jaffa, the exorbitant rentals charged by Arab landlords, and the unsanitary condition of the town prompted some

Jewish leaders to establish a new residential area outside the city limits. It was named Neve Shalom and the first house was bought by Rabbi Hertz, the rabbi of Jaffa, whose ailing wife was told by doctors to seek a change of climate. The development of Neve Shalom was unfortunately hampered by its lack of water.

Jaffa is one of the world's oldest cities. Its natural harbor attracted seafarers long before the arrival of the ancient Israelites. The city was allotted to Dan, the second largest Israeli tribe. Dan never attacked Jaffa for fear of the Philistines. In the 5th century B.C.E. Jaffa came under the

suzerainty of Tyre and Sidon, two strong maritime nations.

To Jews of the Biblical era, Jaffa was the gateway to distant lands overseas. It was at Jaffa that the prophet Jonah, running away from a divinely-ordained mission, began his journey which was interrupted by a whale. Some Jews settled in Jaffa in the pre-Hasmonean period and lived there at the mercy of the Greek population.

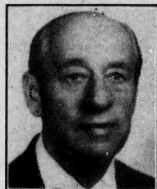
During the Hasmonean wars 2,000 Jews were thrown into the sea. Judah Maccabee avenged the massacre by destroying the harbor. His brother, Simon, annexed Jaffa to Judea in 142 B.C.E.

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New products — medical equipment

By SAMSON KRUPNICK

When we feel a bit low in spirits upon reading pessimistic reports of mediocre productivity in Israel's industrial sector of the econ-



omy, we hurry over to one of many international exhibitions on one or another industry somewhere in Israel and get an immediate lift.

Our visit to the recently held MEDAX-86 Exhibition served this therapeutic purpose most admirably. The Fifth International Exhibition for Hospital Supply, Medical Technology, Equipment and Aids filled every bit of space available in the huge Convention Center, the Binyanei Ha'umah in Jerusalem. Some 150 exhibitors vied with each other in their presentations, using video exhibits, computer techniques, manikins, even live models, to attract the many buyers from Israel and from abroad attending this remarkable exhibition.

As we moved from exhibit to exhibit — the Israeli manufacturers were designated by a blue and white banner — we were positively astounded by the many medical products produced in Israel and by the many innovations in which Israel has taken a significant lead.

In earlier years, Israel imported most of its medical equipment, particularly the advance, sophisticated type. We recall that some two decades ago, we led a campaign to send wheel chairs to Israel from the United States. Today there are in Israel a dozen manufacturers of wheel chairs and other such basic equipment, some of which exported to the United States at competitive prices.

We noticed one such manufacturer, M.G. Medical Industries Ltd. of Rishon Le'Zion, founded in 1984 and producing a variety of quality wheel chairs. Two young men are partners in this

enterprise. One 36 year-old Gil Stiss showed us a "standard" wheel chair, foldable, heavy duty, fixed arm rests and fixed telescopic leg rests, self-propelling, that is exported to the United States for a sale price to the end user of \$300 or less, underselling a like product produced in the United States by \$100 or more. He explained that medical equipment is not taxed by customs in the U.S. He adds confidently, in response to our inquiry as to his ability to compete favorably, "Four million wheel chairs are sold annually in the United States. We are getting a piece of that market. We compete with little difficulty." Their export sales are expected to reach \$500,000 in 1986, quite an accomplishment within a two-year period.

The experience of M.G. Medical Industries, Ltd. is typical of many manufacturers of medical material in Israel, large and small. Their products have experienced wide acceptance in the United States, in Europe and in Asia. Accordingly, exports are zooming in this hitherto neglected area of production. Rapid strides are being made to overcome late starts. Elscint Ltd., one of Israel's giants in the medical equipment field, and originator of the revolutionary Body Scanner, is busy innovating in the entire field of digital diagnostic imaging. Its large and comprehensive exhibit attracted many buyers. Its profit margin having slipped considerably in the past year, it has expended greater efforts to regain the lead in its specific field.

Surprising is the large number of kibbutzim now in the medical equipment manufacturing business. Kibbutz Bar-Am makes disposable medical and laboratory plastic products. Degania manufactures medical products from silicone rubber. Kibbutz Hanita manufactures and distributes intraocular and contact lenses.

Kibbutz Gonen specializes in manufacturing comfort footwear, particularly for medical staff whose work requires long standing and walking. Kibbutz Afek has a unique treatment of Edema by sequential air-pressure in the hospital clinic or in home treatment. Kibbutz Ein-Shemer produces a full line of disposable medical items. In all 15 kibbutzim had exhibitions in MEDAX-86.

Of special interest were the Laser Industries Ltd. displays. More extended uses of lasers for surgery and ophthalmology were exhibited and new laser systems were introduced evidencing great advances in the successful uses of laser techniques. Ultrasound scanners were on display as well as neuroscience brain imagers.

Many new convenience items were exhibited designed to make therapeutic treatment more facile and hence more effective, while causing the patient a minimum of discomfort. Much of this and many other medical innovations are produced in Israel, and to us as interested possible users, were a source of great pride. There were, of course, large numbers of imported medical equipment from the United States and from Europe. There are companies of long standing in Israel, who are agents for the leading manufacturers of medical equipment abroad. A prime example is Israel's leading importer and supplier of scientific, medical and environmental equipment, Eldan Electronic Instrument Co. Ltd., who exhibited products from 69 companies that Eldan represent in Israel.

Of great import is the fact that Israel produces medical equipment of high quality and advanced sophistications, at prices competitive in world markets. It is this area of special know-how that must guide our economic efforts in every field of production and export in order to build a viable and healthy economy.

Wiesel and Israel

The award of the Nobel Peace Prize to Elie Wiesel naturally made from page news in all of Israel's newspapers. Commentators and editorialists paid tribute to him as the man who had done more perhaps than anyone else to keep the Holocaust alive in the consciousness of the world.

Correspondents of some of the papers hastened to interview Wiesel, and cabled back long stories. In most cases, the vital element in the interview was the question as to why Wiesel has not come to live in Israel. He gave the same reply that he has been giving for months, namely, that he has no answer. He assigns to Israel top priority in Jewish life, and feels a deep relationship to Jerusalem, but something undefinable prevents him from settling there. Perhaps some day he will be able to come to grips with the problem, he added, but in the meantime he admits that his reaction is perplexing and irrational.

Some local commentators were not too kind to him. One, referring to Wiesel as a P.R. expert and a guru, called attention to the fact that when awarded the Congressional medal some months ago, he had referred to himself as "stateless" until he had taken out American citizenship. The writer at this end bristled. Since creation of Israel, no Jew anywhere in the world need ever refer to himself as being stateless.

One paper was ironical about the honor which had now come to Wiesel, and repeated reports to the effect that award of the Nobel Peace Prize was the culmination of a 10-year campaign conducted by Wiesel and his friends, with the help of a well-oiled publicity machine. One report had it that a Los Angeles public relations firm had been engaged to direct the effort.

The Israeli man in the street is proud that a Jew has been intrinsically Jewish. How nice it would have been if Wiesel and brought this honor to Israel, and always the same question is raised: With all that he preaches and presumably stands for, why has he chosen to be an American citizen and not a citizen of the Jewish State? The only logical answer that comes to mind is not a tribute to Wiesel's character. — A.C.

Neusner — rabbis

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be in the future. How do we know it? Just as Jacob had told his sons what would happen in time to come, just as Moses told the tribes their future, so we may understand the laws of history if we study the Torah. And in the Torah, we turn to beginnings: the rules as they were laid out at the very start of human history. These we find in the book of Genesis, the story of the origins of the world and of Israel.

"The Torah tells us not only what happened but

why. The Torah permits us to discover the laws of history. Once we know those laws, we may also peer into the future and come to an assessment of what is going to happen to us — and, especially, of how we shall be saved from our present existence. Because everything exists under the aspect of a timeless will, God's will, and all things express one thing, God's program and plan, in the Torah we uncover the workings of God's will. Our task as Israel is to accept, endure, submit, and celebrate."

Liver transplant first in Israel

JERUSALEM — Assured of the objection from the Chief Rabbi, the new Health Minister, Shoshana Arbely-Almoslino gave permission to surgeons to perform Israel's first liver

transplant. A committee of rabbis was in the process of studying the question when the ruling was issued. The 15-hour long operation was performed on a 40-year-old mother of two.

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SOCIAL CALENDAR

By Jean Herschaft

The Smolar Journalism Awards have been announced. We applaud the Lifetime Achievement Award to Richard Yaffe of The Jewish Week. Dick, ill for a number of years now, spent more than a half century at the typewriter and in virtually all parts of the globe as a reporter. Yaffe was a key editor of PM, a daily newspaper of the '60's in New York City. He and his wife, Sylvia, who ran an art gallery, usually were a pair whirling around the globe for the fourth estate. Yaffe would always recount his adventures when we met at dinners, or more so, at more lengthy convention covering stays. Congratulations, Dick.

There were other worthy winners. However, we must take issue with the Council of Jewish Federations for selecting a writer in the "Public Affairs Category" whose first profession is not Journalism but the rabbinate. This is not to dispute the ability of the winner Rabbi Irving (Yitz) Greenberg who won in the "Public Affairs Category" for his series, "Will There Be One Jewish People by the Year 2000?" Surely, the Smolar Committee should have given him a prize in a new category of "Journalism as a Second Profession."

But, to deprive journalists, who are first and foremost writers, a chance of taking the Public Affairs Category, smacks of poor judgment. I was entered in that category and surely I would have been delighted to have lost to an Eleanor Lester, a Walter Ruby, a David Friedman, of The Jewish Week, of the Long Island Jewish Press, of the Jewish Telegraphic Agency, etc. But to lose to a rabbi... that is unfair competition, no matter that he is an excellent communicator.

Rules. Expand — add another category for "Journalism as a Second Profession" is you must. But keep the Boris Smolar Awards for those in the profession, first and foremost. Boris Smolar would have been the first to champion this.

While on the topic of "poor judgment," a major New York Jewish organization falls into that category. In awarding a new "Prize for Public Service to the Jewish Community," which had a \$10,000 tag with it, selected its immediate past executive director who had been at its helm, excellently we add, for 10 years. Surely, the professional was adequately compensated. And surely, a private bonus could have been given to him, without fanfare or publicity. But to announce in paid advertisements his selection smacked of poor judgment. Surely, the young executive will have years ahead to claim awards from organizations with which he is not or has not been affiliated.

The late Yehuda Hellman deserved it as a posthumous award. He was chief executive of Presidents Conference.

Bloch — Jaffa

Thereafter a Jewish community flourished there for two centuries, until the insurrection against Rome when General Vespasian massacred the Jewish population. Their presence menaced the transportation of military hardware through the port of Jaffa.

Jaffa remained Judenrein until the beginning of the Islamic period in 636. The existence of the new Jewish community came to an end in the Crusader period (1099-1268). With the recapture of the city by Saladin, a

Jewish community was once more established.

By the middle of the 19th century Jewish merchants made Jaffa an important trade center. A fleet of 50 wagons traveled daily the rutted road between Jaffa and Jerusalem. The trip took 24 hours. A Jaffa Jew headed the Austrian postal service which took care of mail going to Europe. Jaffa had the potential of becoming the largest city in Palestine. Its destiny, however, was eclipsed by its suburb, named Tel Aviv.

JEW BY CHOICE

When a convert doesn't feel Jewish

By MARY HOFMANN

"What do you do when you don't feel Jewish?"

A fairly recent convert to Judaism asked me that question. She didn't mean it as a



general question. She is a committed, practicing Jew whose life revolves in and around my congregation.

She meant the question quite specifically, and it's one all of us who have been adopted into the family of Judaism have to deal with regularly. There are simply times — lots of them — when you don't feel Jewish.

Sometimes it's brought on by something on the "outside." You find yourself humming along with, somebody reminiscing about childhood — and all kinds of non-Jewish feelings and memories bubble up to the surface.

Other times it's brought on by something or someone Jewish — often someone who does something that makes you recoil. And there you are, feeling distinctly different and out of place, a little sad, disappointed, and a lot guilty. What do you do about it?

In some ways I liken the experience of giving up your old non-Jewish life to giving up smoking, which I've also done. I started smoking at about 15 and smoked heavily, happily, and constantly until I was 25. I knew there was something better, I knew I would be a happier, more fulfilled, and healthier person if I became nonsmoker. After researching and reading, stalling and making numerous false starts, I finally became a nonsmoker the day before Thanksgiving in 1971.

I didn't feel like a nonsmoker for a long time. Even after I did, there were many times when it would have been easier to start smoking again. Yes, I am happier, more fulfilled, and healthier as a nonsmoker. But I smoked for so long. And it was so comforting, so pleas-

ant, so seductive.

Feeling stressed? Have a cigarette and you'll feel better. Things not working out for you? Have a smoke and, for a moment, you'll feel wonderful.

Feeling angry because someone made a crack about Jews that made you want to either crack heads or curl up and die? How easy just to return to that simpler time when you weren't Jewish and couldn't be hurt by such things. Christmas rearing its ugly head again? So shuck the shackles of Judaism for a few days and revert to yesteryear. Who'll know? Who'd care?

are often non-Jewish.

So what do I do when I don't feel Jewish? It may sound simplistic, but I do something Jewish. I look back through my Jewish training and Jewish experience and find those golden nuggets that gave me a thrill of clarity, that solidified my commitment, that brought tears of caring to my eyes. I reread some of Milton Steinberg's *Basic Judaism* (my favorite). I bake a challah. A call a Jewish friend and commiserate.

The point is, I DO something Jewish. Judaism is about doing, after all, not about feeling smug and com-

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Like giving in to cigarettes when things get uncomfortable, giving in to those feelings is self-destructive. You've chosen a road to travel on in your life, and giving in sets you back several steps — or miles. Unlike the born Jew, who has only Judaism to fall back on in childhood memories, converts take on a career of having to make active, conscious choices that keep them heading in one direction. If we settle back and get comfortable, the easy choices (for a long time, anyway)

fortable and self-righteous. Doing Jewish brings me back to the core of Judaism and myself and reaffirms by decisions. Doing Jewish clears away the clutter of things that seem Jewish that I don't like or that seem non-Jewish that I DO like.

Like not smoking, it isn't always easy. But it gets easier, and the trying times become less frequent and less trying. And the good times — the happier, healthier, more fulfilled times — much more than compensate.

Israel glum as the draw pits her with the Czechs

TEL AVIV — The euphoria over the win of Israel's Tennis team over Switzerland, which for the first time catapulted Israel into the top 16 countries in the world in Davis Cup competition, vanished when the results of the 1987 draw pitted Israel against Czecho-

slovakia. That means almost certain defeat in the first round, since Ivan Lendl will be leading his nation's squad, assisted by Miloslav Mecir, U.S. Open runner-up this year, Milan Srejber and Tomas Smid.

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Pig out and pay later

By ARLENE G. PECK

After attending the largest gathering of press ever assembled and partying with the best of them at Walt Disney's Celebration



in honor of the 200th anniversary of the United States Constitution and the 15th birthday of Walt Disney World, I thought that four fun-filled days would be enough. However, I thought wrong. After everyone else went home, 30 of us press people were invited, with a guest, for an additional four days on the Premier Cruise Line. It is the new official cruise line of Walt Disney.

Their two sister ships, the Oceanic and the S.S. Royal leave from Port Canaveral. They are presently promoting their Walt Disney 10-day week for the price of a four-night cruise, which sells for under \$500. They seem to be successfully competing with the low airfares by offering four nights in the Bahamas, rental cars, three-night Disney World vacations, hotels, tours, three extra days at the ocean front hotels in CoCo Beach and tickets to Magic Kingdom. In addition, the kids pay \$120 for the full week. Of course, as low as those prices are for a 10-day vacation, the prices were even better for me.

It is amazing how fast discipline breaks down when marvelous food is being pushed in your direction every two hours. I firmly believe that the weight that I gained wasn't due to the fact that I stuffed myself like a goose. No, it has to be because the salt air makes your clothes tighter. Folks, it got so bad that I had to lie down to put my jeans on. I hope that you appreciate all the things I have to do in order to be a better reporter and let you know what's happening around the hot spots of the globe. Nobody ever said it would be easy. Anyway, the

midnight buffets were bordering on obscene. Besides the eight meals a day, the chubbets would line up like giant squids and great white whales while waiting with forks and plates in hand. The same goes for the 4:00 p.m. Make Your Own Sundae crowd.

What, or rather, who that I found interesting from the Jewish angle was the shiplines owner, Bruce Nierenberg. Bruce is a tall attractive guy of 40 years old who, along with his equally attractive and tall partner of approximately the same age, Bjornar Hermansen, are the entre-

earning \$12,000 a year not so long ago. However, both he and his Viking partner are very married. And, for all you single ladies out there, the fall months are not the time to cruise and find favorable odds. The months, May through August, are the best time to meet singles.

Maybe timing is why most of the men that I noticed who were coming into the casino at Cable Beach after we docked in Nassau were so yucky. They were pouring into the casino from all the ships that were in port. Most were so polyester that they shouldn't be seen in public,

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preneurs behind the operation.

Bruce began the concept of combining the price of cruises and airfare four years ago when he was affiliates with the NCL Cruise Line. Eventually, he and his partner, Bjornar teamed up. they presented a master plan to Greyhound and new, these three, combined, own the cruise line. Not bad for a nice Jewish boy from Brooklyn, who, according to him, was

outside of K-Mart.

Speaking of casinos, I had a chance to drop by and say hello to Rueven Wortheim. Rueven, an Israeli, is the general manager of the Cable Beach Hotel Casino. For those of you who are unaware, the casino is owned by the Carnival Cruise people who are Ted and Aronson and his brother mickey, also Israelis. Hmmm...I wonder if any of these men have single brothers?

University graduates doubled in decade

JERUSALEM — As the number of university graduates doubled in the past decade, it was learned that those who received a degree in law, medicine or engineering declined, while the field of humanities, social science and business and administration increased. The number of those with college

degrees was 200,000, forming some eight percent of the population over the age of 20.

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Watch that diet?

By REBBETZIN MIMI MEHLMAN

This past month, filled with "chagim," was beautiful and introspective. It was time to be with our families without interruptions of phone calls and television. It was a time that encouraged family discussion and interesting dialogue. It was, also, a time to eat.

I am sure we all have put on a few pounds during these past weeks. I, myself, start an exercise routine right after these Yomim Tovim. We cannot let ourselves go. We have to take hold and get ourselves back into

shape. Harsh words, I know. But I am speaking to me as well as to you.

I went through many of my recipes to find something light and airy to put us on the right track.

Gita's salad

1 bunch of fresh broccoli
1 head of fresh cauliflower
1/2 lb. of fresh string beans
1 small jar of hearts of palm
1 small jar/can of artichokes
1 jar/can of baby corns
Cherry tomatoes

Boil broccoli, cauliflower, and string beans al dente (1-2 minutes until

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The answer

The statement issued (P-O, Oct. 1) by 19 Jewish leaders, men and women, who met for a year under the auspices of the American Jewish Committee is most admirable, and certainly reflects the common desires of all American Jews. The question is whether the statement will have any effect on the current divisions in American Jewish life, and the answer is probably very little, if any at all.

The deep divisions in Jewish life between the Orthodox and the non-Orthodox cannot be overcome by recommendations such as the one for a national Beth Din with local affiliates, a proposal which has been put on the table by others previously.

It is a mistake however to detract from the approach of the Committee to a serious problem, and also not to praise the devotion and dedication of the 19, all of whom were lay leaders — not one rabbi. This obviously was purposeful — the decision not to include rabbis. The 19 included Alfred H. Moses, Stuart Eizenstat, Jacob Stein, David Belin, Samuel Blumenthal, Roy Clements, Fred Ehrman, Judith M. Hertz, Robert L. Hess, Judge Jerome Hornblass, Ludwig Jesselson, Lillian S. Kaplan, Arthur J. Levine, Melvin Merians, Robert S. Rifkind, Simon Schwartz, Arthur Silverman and Jacob B. Ukeles.

The names reveal that the majority are lay leaders not in the community at large although the y obviously are well known, but leaders for the most part who have made their way to the top of religious bodies in the community. How much influence they wield in what is the hierarchy of decision-makers in American Jewish life is a question. Max Fisher, Philip Klutznick, Jerold Hoffberger, and as you see, none were part of the AJC program. This is a point, and we will allow our readers to make their own deductions.

There is one way to overcome the divisions, and only one way.

A recognized authority in American Jewish religious life must take the lead. He will bring with him the weight of those who recognize him for his past achievements and present standing and any opposition would over time be defused by the strength of that authority.

That step will hasten the resolution of the deep difference between the Orthodox and the Liberal wings of Judaism.

Elie Wiesel

If you want to know why Elie Wiesel has risen to the heights, other than his genius, the answer is that he is genuine. He is himself, and no matter what goes on in the world around him, he responds to whatever impacts him without worrying about what others think or what it could gain or lose him.

He has that kind of self-confidence which is rare in a leader. It's based on something of a devil may care attitude also, for most of us, including this editorial writer, don't want to take the final chance — that we may lose everything. If Elie Wiesel faces such a situation, he doesn't have to ratiocinate about the consequences, he merely responds on what he feels he should do. And that is dangerous.

Bitburg was a test he won out, and it could be that this alone was the factor which moved him up from consideration of number two or three in previous years, to number one as the Nobel Peace Prize winner this year.

There are Jews who today will not visit Germany or buy a German product — automobiles — and we can understand their feeling, and that is as it should be, despite the amends that Germany and Germans have and are making for their Nazi past. Therefore we can tell you that we have that same hatred for Poland. Our introduction to modern discrimination of Jews on a national scale came when Poland, prior to the advent of Hitler and the Nazis, began to force Jews in universities to sit on rear benches of the classroom. We have never overcome our anger and hatred. We believe that the Poles paved the way for Hitler's rise to power, for it set the pattern of a people who as a whole considered Jews as a pariah and took definite steps to force them to a lower status and otherwise penalize Jews who had lived among them for almost a millennium.

In addition, after the shocks of World War II, over 20 years later, there was a purge of the remaining Jews by the Polish Government in 1968, which when the outflow had ceased, left perhaps 10,000 Jews in all Poland, a figure which now is less than 5,000 out of a pre-war population of 3 million.

At ceremonies last month in Cracow at a conference on Jewish life in medieval and Renaissance Poland, Prof. Moshe Altbauer, who received his doctorate from a Polish university 50 years ago and is now living in Israel, had this to say: "Poland is my second homeland, and today I am mindful that it was also the homeland of thousands of people, Jews and Poles, scholars and ordinary people, who helped me and who are not here, people who were killed only because they were Jews and Poles."

We do not know what references there were at the conference to the fact that the Nazis placed most of the concentration camps in Poland and the role Poles played in the Holocaust, but several of the prominent Jewish guests bore tattooed numbers on their arms.

This piece would not be complete if we did not mention that Poland is in the process of the first step in restoring diplomatic relations with Israel, which though months and even a few years away, is at least in process.

Also the New York Times report had this to say about Rector Jozef Gierowski of Jagiellonian University, which institution convened the conference and from which Prof. Altbauer had received his doctorate 50 years ago:

"During the war, Mr. Gierowski fought in the Resistance and provided help to Jews for which he has been recognized as one of the 'righteous' by Israel. He has long been fascinated by Jewish history, and when he steps down as rector of the university later this year he will take over as head of the Department of Judaic Studies that he helped found in July."

We don't know whether or not the name of Kivie Kaplan was involved as "others who gave life and strength to the National Association of Colored People" (New York Times) when the organization dedicated its new headquarters in Baltimore. But even if so we doubt if many Blacks — certainly not Louis Farrakhan, but probable Jesse Jackson — and not many Jews know that the founder, supporter and president for many of the first years was the Boston Jewish leader. He also held top offices in the Reform community. Although the NAACP has never been too divorced from the American Jewish leadership, it now is a purely Black organization, which is as it should be. One of these days a book will be written about the Jewish participation in the civil rights movement and it will be a best seller — and we will have a slight mention in it that our daughter, Miriam, now Mrs. Norman Glickman of Lafayette, Ca., played a role in the SNICK, the student organization that brought college kids into the fight. She helped desegregate the swimming pool in Albany, Ga., and with four others went on a hunger strike in jail while awaiting trial after arrest on vagrancy charges.

A day spent in St. Louis always warrants contact with Melvin Dubinsky, who told us of

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Freeloaders bring back memories

Dear Editor,

It was with deep nostalgia that I thought back to the days of being past president of a Temple and telling many "free loaders" to pay for the privilege of coming to Temple for High Holiday services.

I just finished reading the article about the irate president, Len Lustik, being upset about members entering Temple and not making any endeavor to pay their way.

It is very ironic to see many of these people who have a Bar or Bat Mitzvah, put on a show to the tune of \$5,000 and up and then tell the Temple they don't have \$600 or more to pay for the purpose of keeping the Temple open for this affair.

Many time we hear someone say a Temple should be open to anyone regardless of their circumstances. How do they expect the rabbi to be paid, who usually feels he should have a yearly increase. Also the staff must be paid and there are also repairs to be made to the building for which the contractor wants to be paid and many other programs.

There are not enough blessings to the dedicated workers who keep these buildings open and available when any unfortunate circumstances develop.

This is real chutzpah to expect to come for free when many of us find money for plenty of other things.

George Casper
Boca Raton, FL 33434

Recipes — diet

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slightly tender).

Drain hearts of palm, artichokes and cut into small pieces. Drain baby corns.

Add cherry tomatoes and mix with Italian dressing. Marinate for a few hours.

Cabbage and tomato juice

Head of cabbage
Tomato juice (42 oz. can)
Garlic powder, to taste
Onion powder, to taste
Salt and pepper, to taste

Islamic Center true Israel friend

Dear Editor,

In your Sept. 24 issue you reported a sad confrontation between two friends of mine: Herb Brin, publisher of *Heritage*, and Maher Hathout, past president of the Islamic Center of Southern California. While I was glad you picked up the report from *Heritage* and while I hope that you will also pick up the sequel from that paper, I am sad that the incident over Herb Brin's discovery of the "Protocols of the Elders of Zion" happened at all. It spoiled what I believe was the sincere intention of the Islamic Center to express their revulsion at the synagogue massacre in Istanbul and to publicly put distance between themselves and Arab extremists.

I have known Dr. Hathout for many years. He has demonstrated his conviction that Muslims and Jews can work together in friendship as American citizens in spite of their conflicting commitment to their respective peoples in the Middle East. He and his organization have taken risks vis-a-vis radicals in their own community because of this attitude.

I believed Dr. Hathout when he told me he was completely surprised by Herb Brin's outburst over the "Protocols." Dr. Hathout apparently had not been aware either that the "Protocols of the Elders of Zion" were part of a display arranged at the Islamic Center by an Arab publisher or that the book was an anti-Semitic fraud.

My confidence was confirmed when Dr. Hathout

subsequently informed me that, after investigating the matter, the board of the Islamic Center had ruled that the book would no longer be available in their facility. Moreover, in the Interreligious Council of Southern California, the umbrella organization for most major organized religions in the Los Angeles area, the Muslim delegates introduced a resolution urging member organizations to "refrain from distributing any material that slanders people because of their faith."

Herb Brin being the thorough journalist he is reported this action by the Islamic Center in the following issue of his paper.

I was also touched by Rabbi Maurice Davis' report, in *The P-O* of the memorial service for the victims of the Istanbul massacre. Such interfaith services, many of them initiated and coordinated nationwide by the American Jewish Committee, also took place in Los Angeles. Here the same Interreligious Council mentioned above was a co-sponsor of the service at Wilshire Blvd. Temple, together with the Board of Rabbis of Southern California. Participants included representatives of Catholic, Protestant, Buddhist, Hindu, Bahai and Sikh communities in addition to the Reform, Conservative and Orthodox rabbinate — and the Islamic Center of Southern California.

Rabbi Alfred Wolf
Los Angeles, CA

CONTEST WINNER

Morris Abram named easily on 2nd Mystery Person clue

It took only the second clue for Rabbi Sylvan D. Kamens of Akron, Oh. to name our Mystery Person — Morris Abram. He was elected as president of the American Jewish Committee in 1964, and in 1968 was elected president of Brandeis University, resigning to run for the Democratic senatorial nomination in New York State, which he lost.

He made it to Washington some years later, however, when he became vice chairman of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights.

His entire career is involved in human rights. He served on the UN Commission on Human Rights as the U.S. delegate. In 1963 he returned to his home state, Georgia, to defend five black and white youths detained without bail in an Americus jail under the threat of execution for allegedly inciting to revolution. By challenging the constitutionality of the state law, he won freedom for his clients.

Winning cases in the courts was not his only victory. He fought his own leukemia bout successfully,



Morris Abram

even though it almost proved fatal in the mid-1970s. Treatment received in Israel contributed to his restoration to good health.

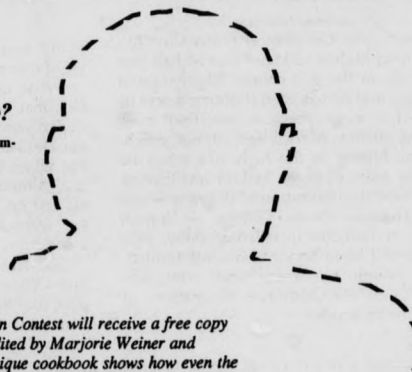
He served on the prosecutors staff at the Nuremberg trials, and rose to Major in the air force during World War II.

He is chairman of the National Conference on Soviet Jewry and was a major factor in the demonstrations at the Reykjavik summit. He is currently chairman of the conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations.

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Do you know who's who?

His early career was spent as a member of the faculty of three institutions of higher learning.

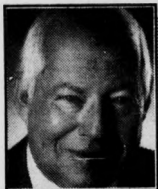


The winner of the Post and Opinion Contest will receive a free copy of "Jewish Cooking Made Slim" edited by Marjorie Weiner and illustrated by Lea Gabbay. This unique cookbook shows how even the most luscious desserts, breads, pastas and other dishes can be prepared with fewer calories and still have great taste! Each week an additional clue to a well-known Jewish personality will be given. Responses must be made by mail. The first entry received wins.

Millions could have been saved

By R. HUGH UHLMANN

A remarkable new book, *Breaking the Silence*, by Walter Lacqueur and Richard Breitman (Shimon & Schuster, 320 pages,



\$17.95) outlines, more than 40 years after the end of World War II, a never before told story of a brave German. Eduard Schulte was the man who first passed on to the outside world the unbelievable news that Hitler's extermination of the Jews had begun — and in so doing tried to prevent the murder of millions of people.

Walter Lacqueur has returned time and again to many crucial areas of the subjects to which he devoted most of his journalism from 1957 to 1960 were illuminated by his 1972 study, *A History of Zionism*. However, gradually he began to zero in on military intelligence in the mid to late '60s with his book, *A World of Secrets*. In this, he consistently criticized the military's generally optimistic view of the conduct of the war in Vietnam. However, from the point of view of the Jewish community his book published in 1980, *The*

Terrible Secret, which dealt with the psychological reasons for the allies' failure to rescue European Jewry during World War II and now *The Breaking of the Silence*, has staked out for him an arena in which his competence is exemplary.

Lacqueur makes a strong case in *The Terrible Secret* that what doomed the Jews was widespread incredulity in the literal sense regarding the Nazi intentions. A great many people simply refused to believe the Holocaust was happening despite credible influence to the contrary. Brought up as we all have been on the subject of the Holocaust, this in itself seems impossible to believe. But let us not forget that the man-made famine in the Ukraine, which claimed the lives of 14 million people in the late '20s and early '30s, is only now becoming generally known is still denied by the Soviets.

Men such as Walter Duranty of The New York Times were accomplices in this shroud of silence. One-third of the population of Cambodia was systematically killed, nothing much was really made of that. In the past two years, the rulers of Ethiopia have eliminated perhaps a million people with the only response from the United States being a private effort which badly misfired. A group of song-singers collected millions of dollars and supplies, only a very

small portion of which ever reached the victims of Ethiopia's communist government. Therefore, the idea of locking up millions of people to gas them to death would be unbelievable to a world unaccustomed to the mass murders of totalitarian and communist states.

It must be pointed out again, as Mr. Lacqueur did in *The Terrible Secret*, that there were a good many people who felt that a massive effort to save Jews and Slavs had to take a second place to the allies for a variety of reasons.

Eduard Schulte was one of the leading industrialists in Germany. He was a patriot, a man of principle who loved his country and was appalled by what the Nazis were doing. Through his extensive business and social contacts, he was able to collect confidential and classified material which he passed on to the allied intelligence contacts in Switzerland, particularly Alan Dulles. However, for all of his efforts, the rescue mission failed.

Lacqueur and Breitman explain the labyrinthine channels through which his vital information was forced to pass before it reached Washington. Suspicion and lack of interest by the State Department and the heart-breaking delays in getting it to America's most distinguished Jewish spokesman, Rabbi Stephen Wise, proved fatal. It was not until late in 1942 that Schulte's reports

reached the White House and even then nothing was done in response.

The authors state, "Roosevelt was not an unfeeling man, but he carried the weight of the world on his shoulders. He had decided early on in the war that the best way to end all suffering was to bring the war to a successful conclusion as quickly as possible. If he gave in to the ever present requests for special assistance, there would be no end to them." In the event, the State Department dragged its feet to condemn the Nazi killing of the Jews for four and a half months after Eduard Schulte brought the horrifying news of the final solution to Zurich and three and a half months after Wise had received his first telegram. The authors go on to point out that "Schulte had to wait until the creation by the United States of a refugee board in January, 1944, to see that his

message was not entirely in vain. By that time most of the Jews in Europe were dead."

For all the risks he took and all the efforts of Alan Dulles to help Schulte gain a major role in the post-war German government, Schulte's achievements went unrewarded and unheralded. He was treated shabbily by the United States Occupation Forces in post-war Germany, was interrogated and harassed by the State and Justice Departments, ignored by his fellow Germans. He died without fanfare in Zurich in January, 1966.

Now in *Breaking the Silence* Eduard Schulte receives his just recognition. In addition to paying honor to this hero, the book reads as easily as a spy novel with the added spur of being true. To anyone interested in the fate of the Jews and, of course, World War II, this book is important.

Draw pits Israel with Czechs

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ed its report on the draw, "Israel's cruel Davis Cup draw."

Shlomo Glickstein, whose superhuman effort brought Israel victory over Switzerland, said, "This is

about the toughest draw we could have."

The date for the matches is March 13-15 in Czechoslovakia.

Even if Lendl elects not to compete, Israel's chances are said to be slim.

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a call from Zeke Grueskin of Sioux City, Ill., who wanted Melvin to know that he had just shot an 81 on the golf course. Eighty-one is Zeke's age, and he has been shooting scores of his age for some years, scores that most golfers, regardless of their age, cannot match. Zeke was hitting in the high 70s when he was a few years younger. Melvin was leaving for Israel for the dedication of the new wings to the Hebrew Union College — Jewish Institute of Religion installation there, part of which will be in honor of his late brother, Harold, whom we knew and who was president of the National Federation of Temple Brotherhoods.

The second shock in recent weeks as long-time members of the family of our reporters and columnists have passed away suddenly — and both from cancer. First it was our humor columnist Martin Moskowitz and now it is Lillian Levy. She covered the State Department and the White House for us for

many years, and she died last Wednesday night after a mastectomy.

What made it so heartbreaking was the fact that we had just written to the press department of the White House to get clearance for her, since she was resuming the coverage which made her work for us so outstanding. Although we've been in touch with her off and on, she called about a month ago and we were looking forward to the renewed association.

She was chief of the Freedom of Information Office of NASA in Washington for the past 20 years. She was twice president of the American Newswomen's Club, and a past regional president of Hadassah. She was a member of the U.S. delegation to the Decade of Women's sessions in Copenhagen in 1980 and the subsequent one in Nairobi last year.

She was a warm, caring person, and we've known the family, which makes it so much harder for us. Our condolences to Aaron and the children and grandchildren.

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